SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1214

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of John L. Williams of Huntingdon.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of John L. Williams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, soon after graduating from Huntingdon High School, John Williams, willing to sacrifice his personal safety and concerns to protect our individual and collective freedom, joined the United States Army to serve alongside his three older brothers in World War II; and

WHEREAS, after World War II, Mr. Williams continued to serve his Nation as a member of the Tennessee National Guard; and

WHEREAS, John Williams performed his duties with acumen and alacrity as the District Attorney General of the 24th Judicial District, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and fellow citizens for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams was an active and devout member of Huntingdon First United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, John Williams was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Everett Williams; his three brothers, Allen Williams, Billy Williams, and Dallas Williams; and his parents, E.M. Clark and Grace Williams: and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is survived by his two sons, Judge John Everett Williams and Robert Clark Williams, his daughter-in-law, Donna Williams, and his three grandchildren, John Everett Williams II, Amelia C. Williams, and Caroline E. Williams; and

WHEREAS, John Williams leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of John L. Williams, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Williams.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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